

STATE OF ARKANSAS SOCIAL WORK LICENSING BOARD

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 10, 2009

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, August 10, 2009, in Room 200 of the Attorney General's Offices at 323 Center Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. Chairperson Sandra Taylor called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present:

Sandra Taylor

Betty Rhodes

Kaylynn Barrett

Kelley Williams

Tealisa Allen

Dr. Steven Domon

Nancy Streit

Board Members Absent:

Laura Printz

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Approval of Minutes:

Betty Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2009 board meeting. Kaylynn Barrett seconded the motion, which carried.

Approval of McCullough Hearing Minutes:

Nancy Streit made a motion to approve the July 13, 2009 Tiffany McCullough Hearing minutes. Tealisa Allen seconded the motion, which carried.

Approval of Pattison Hearing Minutes:

Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve the July 13, 2009 Paul Pattison Hearing minutes. Kelley Williams seconded the motion, which carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on Complaint No. 2009-10:

The Executive Director reported that the investigation into Complaint #2009-10 would be continued.

Update on Complaint No. 2009-11:

The Executive Director updated the Board with new additional information received from the respondent regarding the hearing that has been scheduled for September 14, 2009. Dr. Steven

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Domon made a motion to cancel the hearing and request the Board's investigator continue the investigation. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Update on Complaint No. 2009-15:

Based on the information received from the Investigator hired by the Board and reviewed by the Board's Chairperson, Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to hold a hearing. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Update on Complaint No. 2010-01:

The Executive Director reported that the investigation into Complaint #2010-01 would be continued.

Update on Complaint No. 2010-02:

The Board reviewed information received on Complaint 2010-02 and determined that the complaint was against an agency and not an individual social worker. The Social Work Licensing Board is not vested with the authority to take action against an agency. The complaint was dismissed.

NEW BUSINESS:

No New Complaints Have Been Received By The Board:

Board Approved Waiver Request No. 60:

The Board reviewed a social worker's request for a waiver (#60) of the requirements of A.C.A. (17-103-307(f), the law that requires criminal history checks for social workers. Tealisa Allen made a motion to grant the social worker's request since he met the requirements for a waiver according to A.C.A. 17-103-307(h). Kaylynn Barrett seconded the motion, which carried.

Board Reviewed Request From Janice Jobes, LMSW:

Janice Jobes, LMSW had written the Board requesting a waiver to complete the required social work continuing education hours due to extenuating circumstances. Dr. Steven Domon made a motion deny the waiver but to grant a one-time extension, until September 30, 2009, to complete the required hours. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Possible Changes to the Law:

Kaylynn Barrett updated the Board regarding the progress on possible changes to be made to the Law. Research is continuing.

Board Reviewed Request Melody Duke:

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Melody Duke had written the Board requesting an extension to complete the required social work continuing education hours due to extenuating circumstances. Kelley Williams made a motion to deny Ms. Duke's request. Kaylynn Barrett seconded the motion, which carried.

Board Reviewed Letter From Megan Schroeder, LMSW:

Megan Schroeder had written the Board concerning difficulty in obtaining an LCSW to provide supervision. While the Board understands Ms. Schroeder's frustration, they advise she should continue to see someone who is willing to supervise her.

Board Reviewed Request William Fuller, LCSW:

William Fuller, LCSW had written the Board requesting an extension to complete the required social work continuing education hours due to extenuating circumstances. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to deny Mr. Fuller's request. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Board Reviewed Request Ann Frances Tews, LSW:

Ann Frances Tews, LSW had written the Board requesting an extension to complete the required social work continuing education hours due to extenuating circumstances. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to deny Ms. Tews request. Kelley Williams seconded the motion, which carried.

Update on Board:

The Executive Director updated the Board on the Governor Mike Beebe's appointment of Laura Printz, LSW to the Board. Clarification was made regarding Supervision Plans and Evaluation Plans, which are submitted to the Board. The Board will not accept supervision Plans or Evaluation Forms that are over 60-days old after September 1, 2009. All LMSW's and PLMSW's were mailed a reminder notice in July of 2009 that this would be enforced.

The Executive Director also requested to purchase two file cabinets from Marketing and Redistribution and a new battery back up for the office. Board members agreed to this purchase.

Review of Standing Financial Reports:

Tealisa Allen, LMSW, reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, Refund Report and Trial Balance Reports. Dr. Steven Domon made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Nancy Streit seconded the motion, which carried.

Tealisa Allen, LMSW, also reviewed and approved the Representation letter for the 2009 Closing Books. Nancy Streit made a motion to accept the letter as presented. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Applications:

Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

LSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

None

Approved to take the Exam:

Brandy Foshee

Katherine L. Lee

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Irene M. Stewart

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Melissa J. Davis

Boyd V. Ford

Victoria J. Godin

Tyler Curt Huffaker

Jennifer Jeffs

Stephanie Sanghee Lee

Dani Yelsaveta Osborne'

Stephanie von Reckers

Approved to take the Exam:

Sherion Y. Allen

Patricia Mills

Roshonda Latrice Anderson Anne L. Hirsch

Nakicia Lashene Smith

Tessa T. Thomasson

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Sylvia Medlock Forte

Stephanie Rachel Hall

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Tealisa Allen Carla D. Brown Thomas E. Casolaro Eric Ty Crutchfield Connie Dyer Carolyn Ewing Amber Laverne Hawthorne Tausha Helton Craig Stephen Jones

Katherine Jennifer Kuns

Ashley Davis Meggers Linda Mae Morton Michael H. Ritchie Joshua Rice Routt

Chanda Danielle Camden

Jodie W. Dailey Christine Harris Sarah R. Hutchinson Thomas W. McCallum

Christina Ann Renuart Rapa

Vivian T. Shields

> Rebbecca Ann Wellborn Misty Lynna Winters

Rosemary White

Sharon A. Wilcox

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

William Clinton Davis

Guitele J. Rahill

Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Renewal Applications:

The Board reviewed 91 applications for license renewal. Betty Rhodes made a motion to approve 81 of the applications. Ten (10) of the renewal applications were tabled pending clarification or additional continuing education hours. Kaylynn Barrett seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:

The Board reviewed six continuing education audits. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve all six of the audits. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Supervision Plan Audits:

The Board reviewed twelve continuing education audits. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve eleven of the audits. One Supervision Plan is pending additional information. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Other Business:

There being no new business, the meeting was adjourned.